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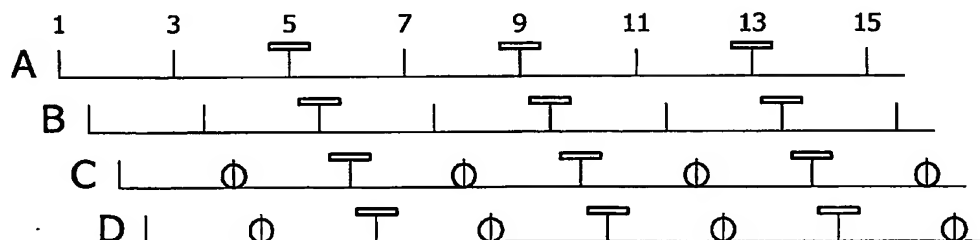
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(57) Abstract: In self-organizing networks, broadcasts comprising presence information, referred to as beacons, are the default mechanism in finding neighboring information, i.e. information on which devices are present in the network of a given device. Such beacons are transmitted periodically from each device. A device has knowledge of the presence of other devices in the network when it receives beacons from them. The method of the invention suggests that a device could skip its subsequent scheduled beacon if all its neighboring devices have received a previous beacon during the same period.

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